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- Time: 8pm
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## Poli-Sci student recognized

■**AWARD:** Student assists with voter registration in the San Fernando Valley.

By ANDREA ZOLLMAN  
STAR REPORTER

The Chancellor's Office of the California Community Colleges honored a Valley College student at its Third Annual Community Service Learning Conference at the Westin Hotel in Long Beach Nov. 2.

Heber Reyes, a political science major, received the Student Learning Leadership Award for 1997 - 98 for participating in the Service Learning Program at Valley. The program gives students the opportunity to work with non-profit organizations. Reyes chose to work with the Southwest Vote of Registration Education Project.

Reyes helped register minority voters throughout the San Fernando Valley. He also called voters to remind them to vote. Reyes started officially working with the program in the fall of 1998, according to school records.

"I was taking political science with Mr. Farrell Broslawsky, and he said we could get extra credit



Courtesy of Heber Reyes

Senator Alarcon, left, and Heber Reyes display Service Learning award Reyes won.

doing service learning and more credit if it involved your major," Reyes said.

Reyes typically worked with the voter registration program three days a week, he said. He went to shopping malls in the San Fernando Valley to register voters. He even went to the Los Angeles Convention Center to sign up new voters after they had just become citizens.

During his stint with the voter program, Reyes met Councilman Richard Alarcon, who is now a state sen-

ator, helped Reyes obtain a scholarship through the Opportunity Through Education Scholarship Fund in 1998.

Reyes, who said he has been a paraplegic since he was 13, wants to become an attorney and get involved with politics as Alarcon has done.

"I'm thinking of transferring to Loyola Marymount and getting a bachelor's of science in political science," Reyes said.

The Service Learning Program, which began at Valley in 1997, is an opportunity for

students to earn experience for their resume and transcripts, said Joyce Romero, who coordinates the program. The student's experience and curriculum are integrated.

"We did sort of a pilot program in '97," said the program's director, Rick Brossman. Since 1997, it has grown from 20 students to more than 200 in the Fall 1999 semester.

"It's a win for the community and our institution," Romero said. "It's very positive."

## Crime Watch

A cellular flip phone was stolen from the football office Nov. 18. The theft was reported at 9:15 a.m.

## GOT NEWS?

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## Casino Royale



Karla S. Gutierrez/Valley Star

Professor Richard Raskoff, far left, and student Gemmalyn Corpus appear to be meditating over their next bet as Lui Grella urges them on at the Casino Royale on November 11th. The charitable event, which was sponsored by The Patrons' Association, was held at the Riviera Country Club. Proceeds benefit the Patron Association Scholarship fund.

## Students learn about harassment

■**Sex:** Hostility and what you can do about it.

By ROBERT B. COURIER  
STAR REPORTER

Students and faculty learned the particular of sexual harassment, Tuesday in a workshop at the cafeteria conference room.

Kathryn Divine, Compliance Officer for the campus defined sexual harassment as any unwelcome sexual advances, requests for sexual favors, and other verbal or physical conduct of a sexual nature.

"Sexual harassment of students is a real and serious problem in education at all levels and can threaten a student's physical or emotional well being and influences how well a student does in school," Divine said. Moreover, sexual harassment is illegal.

Sexual harassment can occur at any school activity and can take place in classrooms, halls, cafeterias, dormitories, and other areas. "Too often, the behavior is allowed to continue simply because students and faculty are

not informed about what sexual harassment is or how to stop it," Divine said during the meeting. Students, parents and school staff must be able to recognize sexual harassment and understand what they can do to prevent it from occurring. "For these reasons, a school should not accept, tolerate or overlook sexual harassment," Divine said.

Under federal law, a school is required to have a policy against sex discrimination. The college protects students from unlawful sexual harassment in all school programs or activities, whether they take place in the facilities of the school or another location off campus. They also protect both male and female students, regardless of who the harasser is and can take two forms.

The first occurs when a school employee causes a student to believe that he or she must submit to unwelcome sexual conduct in order to participate in a school program or activity. For example, when a teacher threatens to fail a student unless the student agrees to date the teacher.

The second and lesser known

form is hostile environment harassment, which occurs when unwelcome sexually harassing conduct is so severe, persistent, or pervasive that it affects a student's ability to participate in or benefit from an education program, or creates an intimidating, threatening, and abusive educational environment.

"Regardless of which type of harassment occurs, a school must take immediate and appropriate steps to stop it and prevent it from happening again," Divine said. "The reason the college has put someone in my position is to assist both students or faculty." Such a policy lets students, parents, and faculty know that sexual harassment will not be tolerated.

"We are here to listen to both sides of the story and find a solution to the problem," Divine said. "In the United States twenty eight million dollars were spent during 1991 through 1996 dealing with sexual harassment. Good communication means team work for students and faculty alike, and establishes respect for the whole college."

## Student survives civil war, college

■**NURSING:** Making sacrifices for an education.

By SOTIVEAR SIM  
STAR REPORTER

As a young girl, Doris Gomez would wake up mornings with tears in her eyes, hoping not to have to walk past dead bodies left in the streets of San Salvador like pieces unwanted trash. Wishing the day would go by without the constant fear of dying or seeing the school surrounded by armed soldiers with guns pointed at students.

"I would see bodies in the street of people who were fighting the day before," said Gomez. "It was like a life was worth nothing." But this was her life.

"With all of this I still went to school," Gomez said. Gomez dreamed of getting an education, and had worked to hard and had come to far to let it slip by.

Last spring the only tears in her eyes were those of pure joy as she received her diploma in health education from CSUN and is now pursuing her RN license at Valley College. All her years of sacrifice and hard work had finally paid off.

She hopes to one day be a health educator in a hospital setting. "I want to teach people

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## Valley Star Editorial



Regardless of which side of the political debate you are on, it must be seen that the current election mess is the best thing that could have come out of the election.

The state of democracy in this country has become stagnant at best and moribund at worst. The US has one of the lowest voter turnouts of any democratic nation on earth. People believe that their vote does not mean anything and they have no control or influence over who gets into office.

When an election comes down to two candidates, neither of whom one wants to support, there can be extreme voter apathy and complete rejection of the system.

It is a sad state indeed where some of the most politically active youth make their point by choosing not to vote.

Everyone knows the youth of today are the people who will run the country tomorrow. If they are being raised on a diet of disaffection, what will the voter turnout look like in a generation from now?

The growing apathy on part of the voting public is a sign the political system is in serious need of change. Ideological change is not necessarily the answer. The answer lies in political motivation.

There hasn't been an election in decades, which threatened so many people's ideas of how the country should be run. The Clinton, Bush,

and Regan elections were all no contest. The people knew what they wanted and got it.

This could be seen as the genesis of much of the apathy. No clear need to express ones voice was seen.

In 2000, a staggeringly close race compelled people to cast their ballot. Anyone who cared about the political future of the country made themselves heard on November 7th. This is the type of political atmosphere we need. Yet the turnout was still low.

By some luck of God, we have had the closest election in living memory, possibly ever - even the Kennedy/Nixon race did not rest on the votes of a few hundred people in Florida.

The post-election mess with recounts, lawsuits and discounted ballots made a loud wake up call to the American people.

Many who voted for a third party are re-thinking their ideals. Had those votes gone to one or the other candidate, the tallies would not have been subject to the intense scrutiny under which we now find them.

Those who did not vote became painfully aware their vote does actually count.

The next election is bound to have more participation. People will no longer look lightly at the one-voice theory of voting.



photo illustration by Salvador Aguilar

## Valley smokes students

By ROBERT B. CURRIER  
STAR WRITER

A new police task force will invade Valley College this week to enforce a new smoking ban; writing four hundred dollar tickets to any student caught smoking on campus and imposing suspension after a third conviction of cigarette usage. Strike three and you're out. Just kidding, but it is possible that this sort of program could be instated here at Valley.

Thankfully, Valley has not implemented any new ban, but here are a few facts that most smokers and non-smoking students are unaware of here at the college. First, the state law says that a smoker cannot be within 50 feet of a door to any structure. Nor can a smoker experience the stress reliving ingestion of nicotine any closer than 20 feet from a given building. Second, the administration and voting student government have established their own rules for Valley student smokers. There are only four areas that a smoldering student can go to enjoy their cancer sticks. The flagpole is one (a wonderful area to

smoke while staring at the American flag that denotes our freedom), the grassy area near the men's gym (for those athletics who wish to enjoy a glorious smoke before a game), an area near the bungalows (so teachers might join smoking students for a shared intake of black lung), and the free speech area (which in itself is an oxymoron of sorts for the smoking leper, removed by rules that infringes on his or her freedom).

At what point does smoking become a criminal act and at what point does the freedom or rights of the smoker become a constitutional issue? Maybe before we start attempting to interpret constitutional positioning, we should evaluate two simple words, common courtesy. There is nothing more heartwarming than watching a group of smokers create a wall of white death in front of an educational building's exit that pregnant women, teenage students, and non-smokers are forced to pass through to get to their next class. It is a glamorous image to walk along campus corridors marked "no smoking" witnessing hundreds of cigarette butts littered

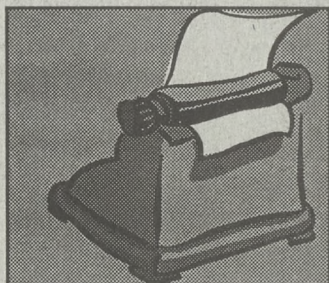
upon the grass and sitting areas. And all students have to love the lingering smoke that permeates an area while attempting to eat lunch.

Both sides of the smoking issue need to be considered. A persons rights are being violated when any individual is harming another. Second hand smoke that must be ingested by non-smokers is a crime. Yet, for the smoking student are they to be callously placed in some remote corner like a leper colony and forced to resign their constitutional given rights of freedom? Instead of complaining about the rules, fume laced students might consider some common courtesy and do their best to avoid spreading cancerous chemicals to others by finding areas away from non-smokers. And non-smokers might consider some common courtesy by approaching a smoker without judgment or criticism, but as a human being who has an addiction problem. Smoking hasn't been banned from campus, but one wonders even as a smoker, if it shouldn't be.

### Write to US

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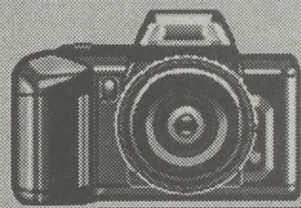
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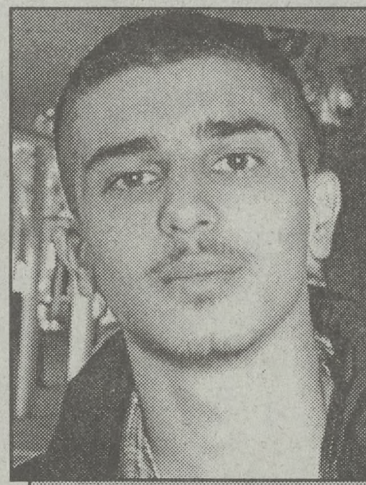
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## How do you feel about smoking on campus?



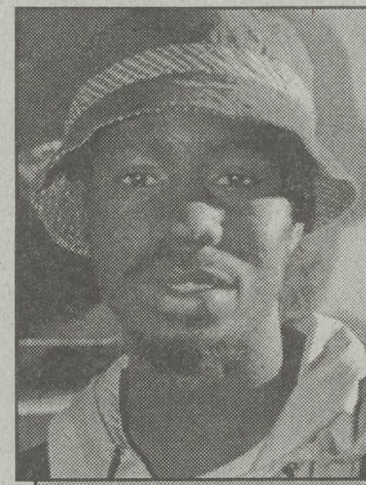
"I like it because I smoke. I look around and everyone constantly smokes. I feel it's bad for people who don't smoke."

-Claudia Brand  
Undecided major



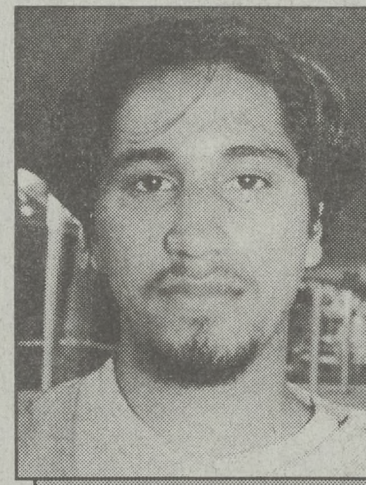
"It should be outdoors on the grass where people tend to be more relaxed. People don't want to get second hand smoke."

-John Mirabegian  
Computer Graphics major



"I don't think it's a big issue to people. If you don't interfere with privacy it's ok."

-Ade Kester  
Chemical Engineering major



"I have friends who smoke. It's not a big deal to me. Do what ever you want, just not around me."

-John Diaz  
Computer Science major

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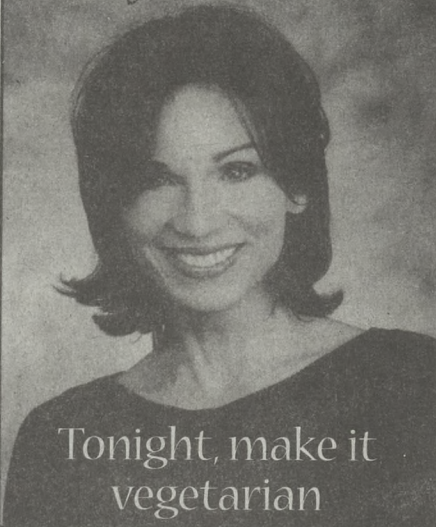


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# Features

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Do it for someone you love



Tonight, make it vegetarian

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Marilu Henner, ACTOR

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## Talented foreplay comes to Valley

■THEATRE: Valley Collegiate Players give an outstanding performance in all four plays.

By E.N. ZACARIAS  
STAR REPORTER

Aptly titled "4 For You," director Aaron Bronsal offered four one act plays written and performed by Valley College students. And despite the fact that there was no impressive set design, it was clearly the talented performances that were showcased on Friday in the Horseshoe theatre.

The first play, "Prisoners of the Black box," was a science fiction piece about four strangers from different time lines that wake up to find themselves trapped in a vortex between time and space. Reminiscent of early "Twilight Zone" episodes, the story was well crafted and the four actors—especially William Romero as Herbert—were convincing, which made "Prisoners" a rare treat.

But the emotional highlight came with "Hope," a play wonderfully written by Sandy Bowles about the aftermath of a date rape and the victim's struggle



Eric Hunter/Valley Star

Cast and Crew of "4 for you" together at the end of the play.

gle with her own self. Versatile actress Christine Iblings play Hope, the younger girl raped by Michael, the man of her dreams, who does an amazing job too. Equally impressive is Katherine Laprad who plays Hope's subconscious.

"The Enabler" shined with great dialogue but it was Katherine LaPrad's stellar acting that stood out in this one. As

Cathryn, a viciously demanding woman running for public office, LaPrad is simply energetic and believable as she portrays this character flawlessly.

The Last play the "Super Hero 101," was a great change of pace and the perfect closing slice for the evening. Nothing more than a comedic parody of a super hero academy for young heroes with identity problems, the play

had the right touch of silly slight gags, pop culture references, and unusual characters. It is good to see that Valley College has produced exceptional playwrights and an equally fantastic group of actors such as the Valley Collegiate Players who are truly worthy of calling themselves actors.

## Nursing

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how to live healthy lives by helping them prevent illness or teach them how to live with a chronic illness," Gomez said.

She was the only girl in a large family with six brothers. When she was 11 her parents died and her quaint life disappeared. Gomez and her baby brother were sent to live with their aunt and uncle in San Salvador, her other brothers were split amongst other relatives.

"My aunt was very strict," Gomez said. "She did things in the old ways." When she finished sixth grade her aunt was no longer willing to pay for her to go to school. "My aunt thought that an education was for men," Gomez said. She would not go to school again until she was 16 and in junior high.

She got a job at a JC Penny factory assembling bras, which enabled her to go to school at night. For three years she went through this routine. Many nights she would return from school drenched in the rain because of El Salvador's climate.

"It was really hard to go to school at night," Gomez said. "It was always wet."

After three years of going to night school she was ready to start high school. "I changed jobs so I could attend high school during the day," Gomez said. "I was a 19 year old freshman."

In her freshman year in high school she met her future husband Jerry Gomez. Life had started to look good. She was getting an education and falling in love.

But then things started to fall apart. A civil war started in El Salvador and again life was looking uncertain.

With Jerry by her side she was able to deal with the atrocities of the war that they faced daily. Many times the constant fight-

ing in El Salvador took its toll. There were days she was unable to go to school because of the clashes between the guerrillas and the army. "The last two years of school were hard," said Gomez.

"The government thought the students were sympathetic with the guerrillas or a part of the guerrillas. The army would surround the school and point their guns at us. You never knew what they were going to do," Gomez said. "Many of my friends were involved with the guerrillas and many of them died."

As the war continued on the streets of El Salvador, Gomez got on with her life as best as she could. She finished high school and was accepted to a University. Her journey was coming to an end, so she thought. She had sacrificed so much in life to get to this point and soon it would all change.

Previously, some engineers were killed at the plant Jerry worked at during a conflict against the army. Jerry was in Los Angeles at the time of the killing. He was persuaded to stay in Los Angeles where his parents lived.

Jerry soon asked her if she would marry him and move to Los Angeles. If she didn't want to leave El Salvador, despite the danger, he would return to be by her side.

"To say yes was to leave everything behind," Gomez said. "I would have to leave school and leave my family." She later said yes, she couldn't say no to the man who had supported her through so many rough times.

Now she was in a new country and having to start from scratch once again. Despite all the setbacks she always had the same goal in mind. "I always said that I wanted a college education," Gomez said. "Life had made me stronger. I was not going to let any hardship or any little thing stop me."

Her new life wasn't easy. She had to adapt and quickly. "I felt so stupid and it was so frustrat-

ing not understanding people," Gomez said.

In her determination to learn English, she stopped listening to Spanish radio and television completely.

A new life was beginning. She was soon pregnant with her first son Robert, yet she continued to go to school to improve her English, taking only a semester off when she had to deliver the baby. Gomez did this each time for all three of her sons.

"It's important for me to get an education. I want my kids to have someone to look up to as an example," Gomez said.

She took classes aimlessly at Valley College for years. "I took classes without direction. I just took them to learn and practice my English," Gomez said. Through the help of a bridge program named PUENTE she gained the confidence she needed to start planning her education and career goals.

"PUENTE was a program that helped me realize my goals," Gomez said. With the help of PUENTE she graduated from Valley College with honors and transferred to CSUN.

Being a full time student, wife, and mother can be taxing both mentally and physically. It would take more than that to stop her from achieving her goals. "Sometimes it conflicts with the family. My oldest son told me I have been a part time mom for the past year, but I know he was angry," said Gomez.

Gomez talks about the team effort her and her husband must make so the family is not neglected. "I'm not doing it for myself, but for them," Gomez said. "I have three guys to put through college."

"You have to go to college, no matter how many sacrifices you have to make," Gomez said. "I have a beautiful life and I wouldn't change a thing in my life."

## Artistic vision recognized

■HISTORY: Valley architecture remembered.

By E. N. ZACARIAS  
STAR REPORTER

The most stunning artistic marvels can be recognized immediately but sometimes they can also be completely overlooked, and this too applies to the architectural splendors of Southern California. Very little is also known about the masters of structural design, masters such as Wayne McAllister whose influence still lingers like a permanent imprint in our minds.

In honor of McAllister's architectural work, the Art Gallery on campus is displaying several

examples of his works through photographs of his various projects as well as personal items he used himself. It is more an exhibit that chronicles his lengthy career and the innovative style he put into each edifice.

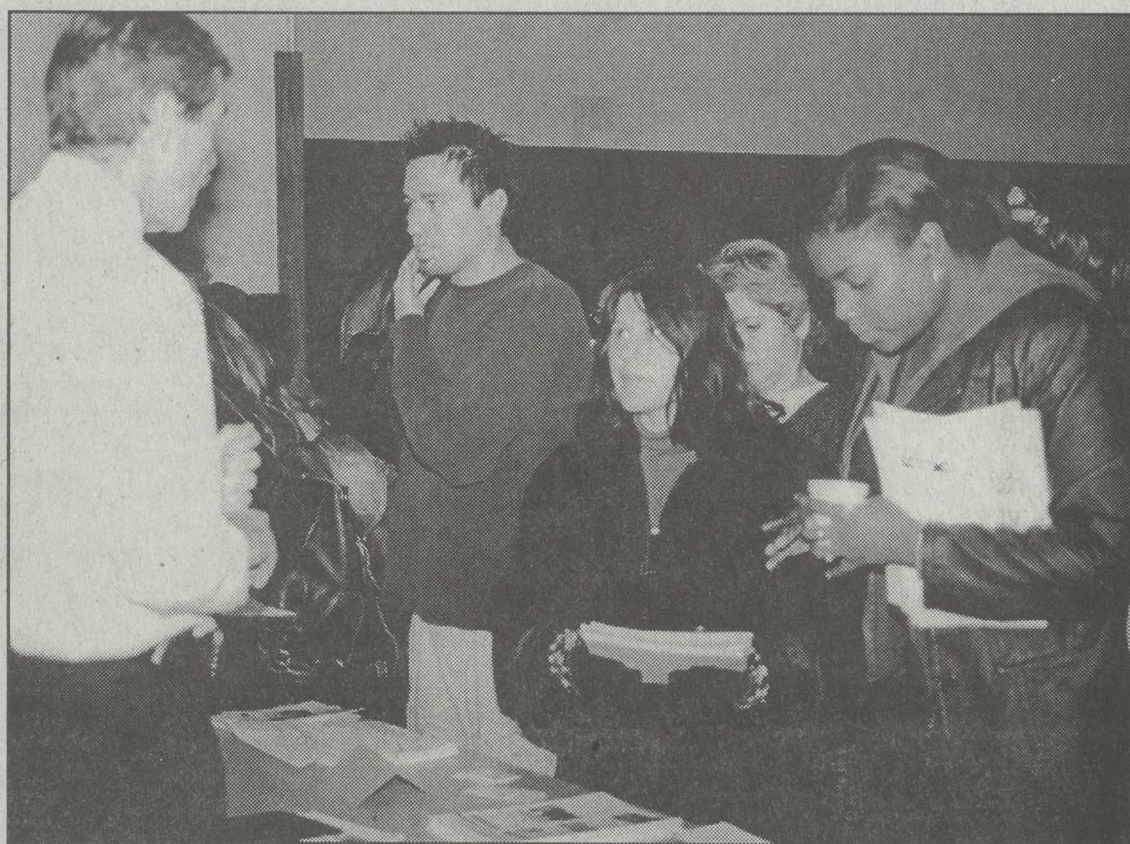
It's unsettling to think that much of McAllister's structures no longer exist—such as the Hotel Agua Caliente in Tijuana, Mexico and Simon's Drive-In restaurant in Los Angeles. Yet what we see in the display of photographs is much more than just a construct of concrete—we see the landmarks that make Southern California unique.

His most prominent work; however, transpired in Las Vegas. Who can forget the original Sands hotel and casino that Frank Sinatra and the 'Rat Pack' made famous with "Ocean's

Eleven" and their many club appearances? Or the Freemont Hotel on downtown Freemont Street with its strikingly sizable sign?

The Art Gallery also pays homage to many of the structures he designed in Southern California such as the Bob's Big Boy in Toluca Lake, Lyman's in Downtown Los Angeles, and the Cinegril—the nightclub inside the Hollywood Roosevelt Hotel.

Although there are a few remnants of McAllister's work—a slightly modified Bob's Big Boy still stands and is now considered a California State Point of Historic Interest—his artistic vision became an icon of Modernism and vintage Americana.



Karla S. Gutierrez/Valley Star

**The child development orientation on November 14th gave students a chance to learn about employment and educational opportunities.**



## Cross Town Rivals

## Blowout turns into a nail biter

■**RIVALS:** In a second half offensive surge the Monarchs cut away at a 42-14 first half deficit to give the Brahmas a scare.

By SOTIVEAR SIM  
STAR REPORTER

Even though the temperatures continued to drop in their three hour and 45 minute marathon of a game against divisional rivals, Pierce College, it didn't faze the Monarchs in the second half who were starting to heat up as they lit up the Brahmas for 35 second half points, but still lost to the Pierce 56-49.

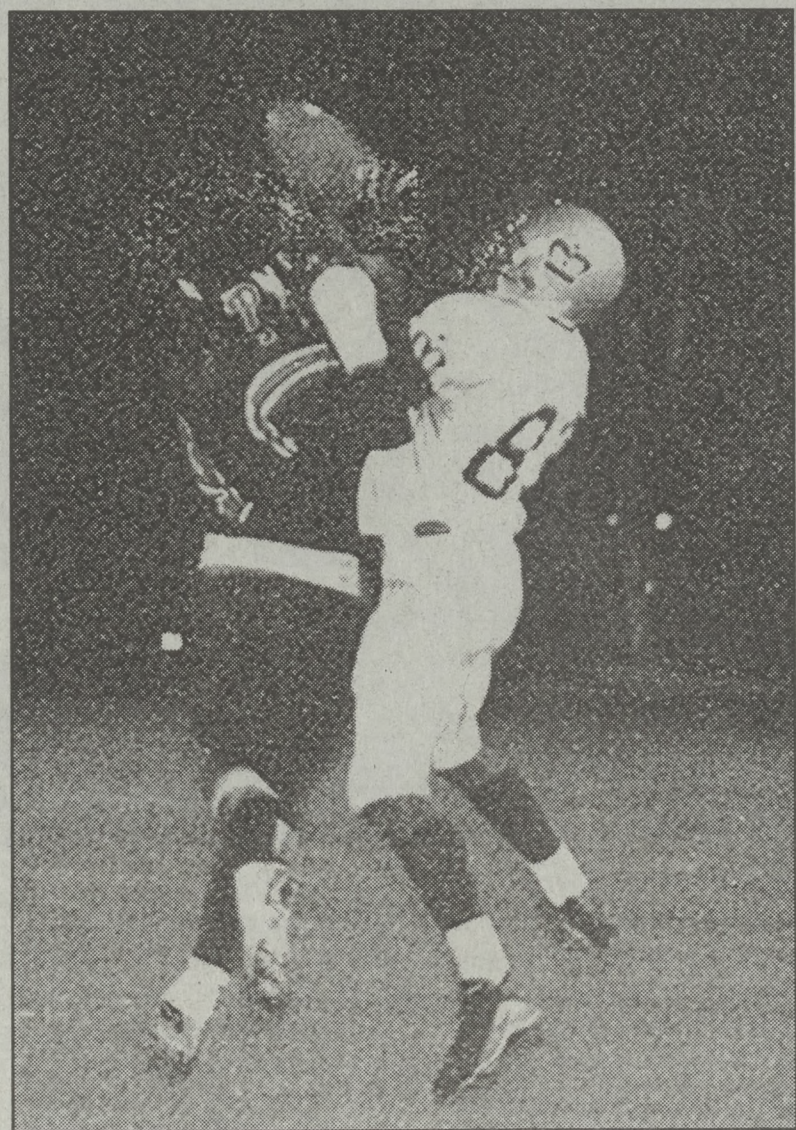
"Every time you lose a game like this to your rivals it tough," backup center Steven Herrera said.

The Brahmas started the game by quickly scoring on a 60 yard passing play to score a touchdown with 12:47 on the clock to give the Brahmas the lead. They would hold the lead for the rest of the game.

The Monarchs answered back on their very next possession with Dallas Enoch completing a 55 yard pass to Eric Felton to tie the game at seven.

The Brahmas defense held the Monarchs to only one touchdown in the first quarter.

After that the Monarchs strug-



Salvador Aguilar/Valley Star

Tight end Cordell Landers, number 83, fights for the ball to make the completion and get the first down.

gled to move the ball and penalties halted any chance of a scoring drive in the first half.

In the second half the Monarchs drove down the field to eventually score in the red zone with an 11-yard toss from Enoch to Michael Payne. "In the first half

we didn't come out and play as well as we could," Herrera said.

The Brahmas continued their offensive charge racking up 42 points in the first half of play.

"We pressured the quarterback but he was quick and threw the ball right on the money," defen-

sive lineman Talalelei Tyler Ioapo said.

Going into half time down 42-14 the Monarchs were frustrated as was evident when Ioapo slammed his helmet into the ground in disgust.

After a speech from head coach Ron Ponciano, the Monarchs rallied in the second half

scoring 35 points to cut into the Brahmas commanding deficit. They surprised Pierce by running the ball out of the shotgun position which opened up scoring opportunities for Roderick Thomas. Thomas had 21 carries for 107 yards and two touchdowns.

The Monarch's running game was also opened up by Enoch's decision making as he connected with Eric Felton 11 times for 204 yards. Valley had three receiver with 100 plus yards in receiving. Another key player off the night was Butler who totaled 134 yards on kickoff returns.

Enoch completed 35 passes on the night, breaking the record set in 1971 of 32 completions. Enoch totaled 515 yards passing and tallied four touchdowns for the night, but in the end it wasn't enough to catch up to

Washington and his Brahmas.

The Monarchs knew of Washington's ability to throw, but they were more worried about Pierce's running game led by Donald Carpenter, who is the second best rusher in the Western State Conference.

"We focused mainly on their running game," Ioapo said.

When the Monarchs defensive line stopped their running and held Carpenter to only 69 yards on 19 carries the Brahmas went to their passing game.

"They attacked our whole secondary," Ioapo said.

The Monarchs took a stand in the fourth quarter when they shutdown Pierce offensively.

The Monarchs rallied to score two more touchdowns in the waning minutes of the game. Enoch again connected with Felton on a 73 yard pass which resulted made the score 49 to 56.

Despite the tough loss to their division rivals the Monarchs have many good things about the game that they can bring in with them to their season finale against top ranked College of the Canyons.

## Inside the Numbers

35

The number of completions made by quarterback Dallas Enoch breaking the school record of 32 set in 1971.

204

Wide receiver Eric Felton caught 11 passes for 204 yards and two touchdowns.

12

The number of penalties that went against the Monarchs for a total loss of 98 yards.

134

The total yards Dennis Butler ran on kickoff returns. He averaged 19.1 yards on the night.

69

The number of yards the Monarch defense allowed to Donald Carpenter, the second best running back in the WSC.

35

The total second half points scored by the Monarchs to close in on Pierce.

## Seeking revenge on the courts

■**BASKETBALL:** The men's basketball team lose championship game in the Mt. SAC tourney to College of the Sequoias.

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Seven months after facing College of the Sequoias in the state semifinals, the Monarch basketball team failed in their attempt to avenge their loss, losing Sunday 79-69 in the championship game of the Mount San Antonio Tip-Off tournament.

With four returning players back from last year's team and 11 new faces on the team, the Monarchs struggled off the gate against Sequoia, turning the ball over, because of the inability to break the Sequoias full court trap that eventually cost the Monarchs to fall behind 16-7, seven minutes into the game.

Then as he did in the first two rounds freshmen guard Chanzie Washington came off the bench to spark the team with his play. The six foot two guard hit a couple of three pointers that helped the team go on a 10-0 run.

"My role is to help out the team defensively and offensively with points, steals and rebounds," said Washington.

The run gave the Monarchs a 17 to 16 lead with 10 minutes to go in the first half, from that point on the team wouldn't trail the rest of the half. At one point the Monarchs were up by as many as 10 points before going into halftime with a 42-36 lead.

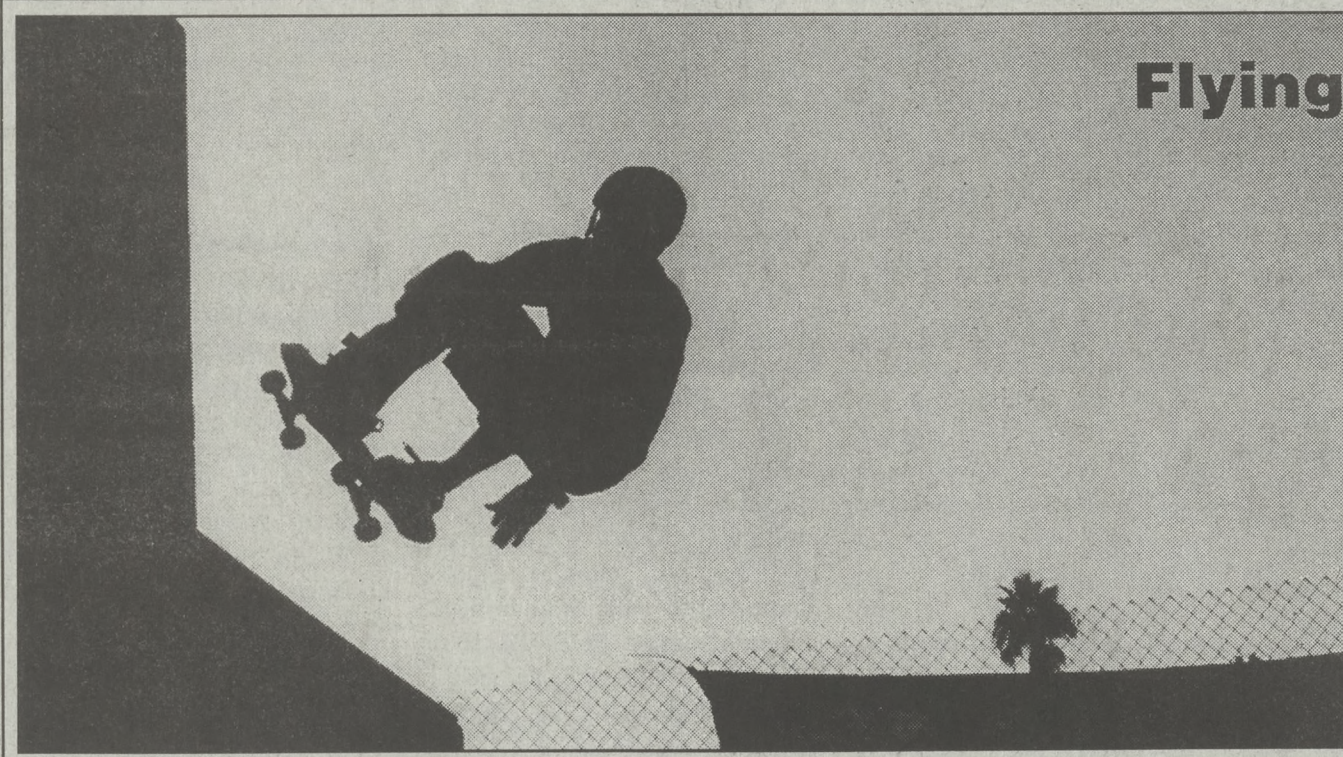
In the second half the Monarchs came out misfiring, making only three baskets in the first six minutes, allowing the Sequoias to take a 49 to 48 lead. Then up 52-51, the Monarchs would lose their captain and big man inside sophomore center Michael Crawford to fouls.

Crawford was called for a foul inside. Then, as he was leaving the court with four fouls, the referee called a technical foul on him for gesturing something apparently at the referee, automatically fouling out Crawford.

"After we lost Michael I thought our freshmen could step up, they played solid down the stretch but we just got beat on the boards that was the difference," said head coach Doug Michelson.

It was a major difference; because the Monarchs from that point were outscored 18 to 9 to end the game. All-tournament guard Damarcus Ellis said, "We went into the game confident. It was all mental. We didn't come together as a team tonight, but were going to straighten it."

The Monarchs began their run to the championship on Friday edging out Fullerton College 71-70. With less than a minute to go in the game and the score tied at 69, Ellis drove down the lane to score a lay-up giving the Monarchs the win. In the second round the Monarchs blew out divisional rival Citrus College. In the game 11 of the 13 players scored. The team now gets ready to compete in the Fullerton tournament opening up tomorrow against Pasadena College.



## Flying High

Skateboarding is one of the fastest growing sports in the nation with skateparks and other specialty shop opening in neighborhoods all across the country. The origin of this phenomenon is not quite known, but it all started by simply attaching rollerskate wheels to a wooden board.

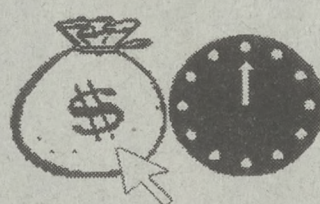
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